Electronic Torque Manager (ETM®)

GKN Driveline’s innovative Electronic Controlled Torque Manager (ETM®) is an actively controlled coupling in on-demand and full-time all-wheel-drive drivelines as well as in axle applications. ETM’s direct actuation method provides a most responsive and controllable electronically controlled driveline and axle coupling.

Benefits
- Smooth and immediate engagement (mechanically pre-emptive)
- Superior low drag torque performance (optimum fuel economy)
- Excellent release response time and high control accuracy
- Two wheel-tow capable
- In production since 2003

Operating Principle
- Current supplied to an electric-motor connected to a reduction gear directly rotates the cam gear of a unidirectional ball-ramp mechanism
- This rotational torque causes the balls to roll up the opposing ramps which pushes the front cam forward
- The cam thrust is transmitted through the pressure disc compressing the clutch
- The rotational torque from the outer plates (input) is then transferred to the inner plates (output) proportional to the electrical current
- An Electronic Control Unit (ECU) controls the clutch torque by adjusting the amount of current based on available vehicle inputs and control algorithm

Technical Features
- Optimum release response is achieved by back driving the electric-motor
- The low drag torque performance is achieved at all speed difference since actuation is independent of the speed difference
- Torque transfer is mechanically pre-emptive and does not require any speed difference to activate
- Full and continuous lock-up feature is available (0.5 A current)

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